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ALABAMA REPORTER,
THURSDAY MORNING, June 1.

Surrender of Kirby Smith.

The news of Gen. Kirby Smith's surrender reached our city several days since. The report is confirmed by the same statement corroborating rumors. The public mind was prepared for this intelligence, and few are inclined to doubt it. It is better for all parties both East and West of the Mississippi that the surrender should be made at once so that a war might come to a close. It will be the wildest folly for the people of the Mississippi to have attempted a continuance of the struggle, or the surrender of the principal arms of the South. The effort would be only brought destruction and desolation upon the State of Texas, and add to the troubles on this side the river. The continuance of hostilities in shape now could only serve to multiply and aggravate the horrors which are terrible war has brought upon us. Let the war cease, and let the country once more have peace.

The Drouth.

The dry weather continues and is afflicting seriously gardens and all kinds of growing crops. The showers which have fallen in different sections of the country within the past few days were hardly sufficient to dampen the surface of the parched earth. Their effects could scarcely be seen two days after they had fallen. The weathercock still points to the North and we see no prospect of rain.

MEETING AT HUNTSVILLE.

A public Meeting of the citizens of Madison county was held at Huntsville on Saturday last. They endorsed the proceedings of the Montgomery meeting.

Terrific Explosion at Mobile.

A terrific explosion occurred at Mobile on Thursday last by which at least one thousand persons are supposed to have lost their lives. The explosion occurred about the dinner hour and is supposed to have been occasioned by the dropping of a shell by some of the hands engaged in moving them. A terrible explosion and fire ensued destroying a large portion of the city. Two hundred tons of fixed ammunition, part of which was six hundred thousand musket cartridges, containing in all about thirty tons of powder besides a number of barrels of powder. The entire city from St. Louis Street to the Railroad (eight squares) is said to be completely demolished by the explosion and the fire which ensued. The fire continued for three days, persons being afraid to approach it in consequence of the exploding shells. Every warehouse above St. Louis St. is said to be destroyed, and about ten thousand bales of cotton burned. Two steamboats were burned at the wharf. Persons were knocked down and one or two killed by the concussion at the distance of a half mile. The plastering was shaken from the walls, the doors blown off and the glass broken in almost all the houses of the city. It is stated that the remains of about seven hundred dead bodies have been found and that not less than a thousand lives were lost. We have not been able to get hold of a paper and get these particulars from a friend who read a full account of the explosion in a Mobile paper.

NASHVILLE, May 12, 1865.

Major General Steedman arrived here today, en route for Washington, having been invited there by President Johnson, with a view to a consultation as to the best policy to be pursued in the restoration of civil law in Alabama and Georgia.

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We clip the following from the rules and regulations concerning commercial intercourse with and in parts of States declared in insurrection prescribed by the Sec'y of the Treasury:

Important to Merchants.

NEW TRADE REGULATIONS.

From the Memphis Bulletin, 16th

EXECUTIVE ORDER.

Executive Chamber, Washington April 29, 1865.—Being desirous to relieve all loyal citizens and well disposed persons, residing in insurrectionary States, from unnecessary commercial restrictions, and to encourage them to return to peaceful pursuits, it is hereby ordered:

I. That all restrictions upon internal, domestic and coastwise commercial intercourse, be discontinued in such parts of the States of Tennessee, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, and so much of Louisiana as lies east of the Mississippi River, as shall be embraced within the lines of national military occupation, excepting only such restrictions as are imposed by acts of Congress and regulations in pursuance thereof, prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, and approved by the President; and excepting also from the effect of this order the following articles contraband of war, to-wit: arms, ammunition, all articles from which ammunition is manufactured, grain, uniforms and cloth, locomotives, cars, railroad iron, and machinery for operating railroads, telegraph wires, insulators, and instruments for operating telegraph lines.

II. That all existing military and naval orders in any manner restricting internal, domestic and coastwise commercial intercourse and trade with or in the localities above named, and the same are hereby revoked; and that no military or naval officer, in any manner interrupt or interfere with the same, or with any boats or other vessels engaged therein, under proper authority, pursuant to the regulations of the Secretary of the Treasury.

ANDREW JOHNSON. SUPPLY STORES.

Persons desiring to keep a supply store at any place within an insurrectionary State, shall make application therefor to the nearest office of the Treasury Department, which application shall set forth that the applicant is loyal to the Government of the United States; and upon filing evidence of such loyalty a license for such supply store shall forthwith be granted; and the person to whom the license is given shall be authorized to purchase goods at any other supply store within the insurrectionary States, or at such other point in the United States as he may select.

The party receiving such license shall pay therefor the license fee prescribed by the internal revenue law.

EXCEPTED ARTICLES.

All articles of local production and consumption, such as fresh vegetables, fruit, butter, ice, eggs, fresh meat, wood, coal, etc., etc., may, without fee or restriction, be freely transported and sold at such points within all insurrectionary States as the owner thereof may desire.

SHIPMENT OF PRODUCE OF AN INSURRECTIONARY STATE.

All cotton not produced by persons with their own labor, or with the labor of freedmen or others employed and paid by them, must be shipped to any port or place for a loyal State, be sold to and re-sold by an officer of the Government

specially appointed for the purpose, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury and approved by the President; and before allowing any cotton or other produce to be shipped or granting clearance to a vessel, the proper customs officer or other person acting as such, must require from the purchasing agent or the internal revenue officer a certificate that cotton proposed to be shipped has been re-sold by him, or that 25 per cent. of the value thereof has been paid to such purchasing agent in money, and that the cotton is free from further fee or tax. If the cotton proposed to be shipped is claimed and proved to be the product of a person's own labor, or of freedmen or others employed and paid by them, the officer will require that the shipping fee of three cents per pound shall be paid or secured to be paid thereon.

If any product other than cotton is offered for shipment, the certificate of the internal revenue officer, that all internal taxes due thereon have been collected and paid, must be produced prior to such products being shipped or cleared; and if there is no internal revenue officer, then such taxes shall be collected by the custom officer, or he shall cause the same to be secured or be paid as provided in these regulations.

CHARGES.

Goods not prohibited may be transmitted to insurrectionary States free.

The charges upon all products shipped or transported from an insurrectionary State, other than upon cotton, shall be the charges prescribed by the Internal Revenue laws. Upon cotton, other than that purchased and resold by the Government, three cents per pound, which must be credited by the officer collecting as follows, viz: two cents per pound as the internal tax and one cent per pound as the shipping fee. All cotton purchased and resold by the Government shall be allowed to be transported free from all fees and taxes whatsoever.

LOYALTY A REQUISITE.

No goods shall be sold in an insurrectionary State by or to, nor any transaction held with any person or persons not loyal to the Government of the United States.

Proof of loyalty must be the taking and subscribing the following oath, or evidence to be filed that it, or one similar in purport and meaning, has been taken, viz:

"I, _____, do solemnly swear, in presence of Almighty God, that I will henceforth faithfully support, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States, and all laws made in pursuance thereof."

MR. CHASE'S TOUR.

Chief Justice Chase and party, in prosecution of their tour through the South, arrived at Wilmington on the 8th inst.

Mr. Chase will proceed from Wilmington to Charleston and other Southern ports as far as New Orleans and return to Washington by way of the Mississippi river.

ARMY MATTERS.

The Herald's army correspondent has the following: The Sixth Corps, Major General Wright, is still at Danville, but it is expected that the greater part of it will shortly return to the North as soon as an order shall have been fully restored in that vicinity. Gen. Wright has appointed a number of magistrates to administer justice in the surrounding country, and is using every exertion with the best success to substitute civil law for martial law in Southern Virginia. The flocking of negroes from the country into the town of Danville

has been stopped by direction of Gen. Wright, and agricultural operations have been again restored. The far-announced them as candidates for County Commissioners. Election the first Monday in August next.

SHERMAN'S ARMY PASS THROUGH RICHMOND.

The 15th corps of Sherman's army passed through Richmond on last Saturday, en route to Washington. It is said that many of Sherman's officers and re-enlisted men are anxious to join in the Mexican emigration enterprise.

GREAT REDUCTION OF THE ARMY.

The Times' special says it has been decided to reduce the strength of the army to 125,000 or 150,000 men.

TEXAS.

St. Louis, May 16.—The Galveston News says the corn is good. The sugar crop will be very short. Cotton holders demand an advance to exchanges New York 40 premium.

The Postoffice Department is preparing to reopen mail facilities in the Southern States, but it will be some time before this can be thoroughly accomplished. It is understood that for the present postmasters will only be appointed at prominent points accessible by existing government means of communication.

NEW YORK, May 20.—Cotton firm at 64 1/2. Gold closed at 130 1/2.

Fort Monroe, May 19.—Jeff Davis, with family, staff officers, &c., captured in Georgia, arrived here today at 12 o'clock, from Hilton Head, S. C., on the steamer Wm. H. Clyde, conveyed by the U. S. gunboat Tescara, Commander Frantz.

Col. Prichard, of the Michigan cavalry, with a strong guard of his men, accompanied the party on the steamer Clyde, now northward bound to this place, and on reaching here immediately telegraphed to Washington for instructions regarding the disposal of his charge.

NEW AMNESTY.

New York, May 16.—The Herald's special says: President Johnson has under consideration a new amnesty proclamation, the issuance or suppression of which is expected will be decided upon at the meeting of the cabinet to be held to day. This proclamation, if issued, will announce what class of rebels are to be held responsible for their treason, and what others will not be.

The Herald's Washington correspondent says there has recently been considerable excitement in Wilmington, in consequence of rumors that the rebel ram Stonewall is to make a raid on that place, and the garrisons of Forts Fisher and Caswell have been reinforced in anticipation of the raid.

DIED.—At the family residence near Eastaboga, on Monday, the 22d of May, Mrs. FANNY CRUKSHANK, wife of Dr. C. G. Crunkshank of this County.

H. H. QUINN, U. S. STATES FORCES, Talladega, Ala., May 25, 1865.

Whereas the Tanneries in this vicinity have been robbed by some lawless persons, it is hereby ordered that all leather taken without authority, be reported to these Head Quarters by the persons taking the same.

By Command of
Brig. Gen. M. H. CHRYSLER,
ROBT. BARBER.

A. A. A. G.

For County Commissioners.

GEORGE RISER,
SAM'L D. WATSON,
MERRET STREET,
E. C. TURNER.

Election 1st Monday in August.

The friends of
L. M. BURNBY,
JOHN SAWYER,
R. M. HENDERSON,
JESSE HARDIN,

announce them as candidates for County Commissioners. Election the first Monday in August next.

We are authorized to announce JOHN M. MILLS, as a candidate for Commissioner of Roads & Revenues of Talladega County. Election 1st Monday in August next.

FOR SENATOR.

We are authorized to announce Gen. L. W. LAWLER as a candidate to represent Talladega County in the Senatorial Branch of the next State Legislature. Election 1st Monday in August next.

We are authorized to announce JAMES W. HADLEY, as a candidate to represent Talladega County, in the Senatorial Branch of the next State Legislature. Election 1st Monday in August next.

FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM D. STEED, as a candidate to represent Talladega County in the Lower Branch of the next State Legislature. Election 1st Monday in August.

We are authorized to announce GEORGE P. FLOWMAN as a candidate to represent Talladega County in the Lower Branch of the next State Legislature. Election 1st Monday in August.

We are authorized to announce Hon. LEWIS E. PARSONS as a candidate for a seat in the Representative Branch of the next State Legislature.

We are authorized to announce JOHN A. WINBOURN as a candidate to represent Talladega County in the Lower Branch of the next State Legislature. Election 1st Monday in August next.

The friends of AUGUSTIN MOSS announce his name as a candidate for a seat in the lower branch of our next State Legislature. Election 1st Monday in August next.

We are authorized to announce Dr. JOHN W. GARRISON as a candidate to represent Talladega County in the Lower Branch of the next State Legislature. Election 1st Monday in August.

FOR SHERIFF.

The friends of Maj. James T. Dye announce him as a candidate for Sheriff of Talladega County, at the ensuing August election.

We are authorized to announce A. BINGHAM as a candidate for Sheriff of Talladega County. Election 1st Monday in August next.

FOR TAX ASSESSOR.

We are authorized to announce JAMES A. HOGAN as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Talladega County at the ensuing August Election.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

We are authorized to announce W. W. WILKINS, as a candidate for the office Tax Collector of Talladega County. Election first Monday in August.

We are authorized to announce M. S. BENNETT as a candidate for the office of Tax Collector of Talladega County. Election 1st Monday in August next.

T. WARWICK,

WATCH MAKER,

TALLADEGA,

ALABAMA.

January 14, 1864.